

## COMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 6th at 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, March 13th at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Lenten Study begins. We will be using Adam Hamilton's "Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple".

Thursday, April 18th Maundy Thursday Service with Communion and there may be a Seder meal.

Sunday, April 21st Easter Sunday

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# United Methodist Tidings

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## Worship?!

Who is worship for? Why do we come to worship? What is essential in order to worship? What is worship? These are just a few of the questions that we have been tackling in our confirmation class! It would be interesting to hear what others think. Our first part was that we broke into two groups, and took 23 items/parts of worship and ranked them in order of what each group thought their importance was. There were some similarities, but there were also some stark differences. As the observer/teacher of this experience I was able to see that the differences were a result of each group's preferences, what it was that they liked about worship. After each group had an opportunity to share why they put their items in that order, I asked if they would like to know how I would put mine. I only ranked some of them, not all (so in some of their minds I cheated). If the question would have been include all the items that you like in worship, I would have included them all, but not all were absolutely essential to worship.

Towards the end I asked "who is worship for?" In my opinion worship is for God; God is the recipient of our worship, glory, and praise. So, everything we do (sing, play, preach, read, give, pray) is for the glory of God. One of my favorite parts of worship on Sundays is in preparation for the service that morning, Randy is usually here playing the piano or organ, and I come in and look around the Sanctuary, and pray. (On Wednesdays, I pray a similar prayer for the entire evening but it is before Confirmation class begins.) Sometimes my prayers are short, sometimes they are long (sometimes it depends on what else is going on, and how much time I have). I pray for God to be glorified, and for God's Spirit to flow upon all who gather in His Name...then often times a portion of the prayer turns to my relationship with God to leave all of the 'stuff' behind, that I may be truly present to lead. I share this not to say look at what I do, but as food for thought as you prepare yourself to come to worship. Worship does serve as a way for all of us to be inspired (hopefully), but it remains the place for us to give God glory!

(What were the 23 items/parts of worship? They were in no particular order: candles, hymnals, chairs/pews, piano, organ, laptop, projector, Bible, Bread, Grape Juice, Sheet Music, An Elder/pastor/preacher, bulletin, special music, sermon, worship leader, screens, announcements, young disciple time, offering, ushers, greeters, congregants.)

~Pastor Cory

# CONNECT TO GOD

## Wednesday Night Live Schedule

- 4:30pm Confirmation Class
- 5:30pm FREE Supper for all
- 6:00pm 3 yrs.- 2nd Grade Study & Fun
- 3rd -5th Grade Study & Fun
- 6th & 7th Grade M.S. UMYF
- 8th-12th Grade H.S. UMYF
- Adult Bible Study
- 7:00pm Wednesday Night Remix
- Chancel Choir

**Did you know...**that the church and education wing are currently being painted? The project is ongoing, but the results so far are fabulous! Burrell Painting is in charge of the project.

## PRAYER CHAIN

Wayne King, Bob Higley, Rosella Ross, Glory Chapman, Lincoln Coakley, Jack Schoon, Ernie Solmonson, Sherry Fuhrman, Liz Graham, Richard Gottsche, Dorothy Weir, Dave Murray, Diane Blom, Tripp Postmus, Darrell Bowser, Susan Kuchenbecker, Marcine Jacobsen and Sharon Cassem.

## REGISTER FOR CHURCH CAMP

It's time to register for church camp again. You may sign up online at [camps@iaumc.org](mailto:camps@iaumc.org) now. There are camp booklets in the hall by the offices or in the church office. Chose your favorite today and invite your friends. Scholarships are available and each Sunday you attend Sunday School, your earn credit towards your camp fees.

## CARD SHOWER

George Chipman is turning 98 on February 26th and his family would like to hold a card shower for him. Please send your birthday wishes to: 2081 375th Ave, Estherville IA 51334.

## OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE & SYMPATHY

To the family and friends of Marietta Kint of Spirit Lake.

## Lenten Study

Please join us on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. for our Lenten Study: "*Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple*" by Adam Hamilton. Simon Peter was not rich or educated, but was familiar with hard work. He was quick-tempered and impetuous, but possessed a passion that would change the world. He left everything to follow his teacher, yet struggled with doubt and fear.

## Circles are scheduled to meet as follows:

- Martha** – Thursday, March 21 at 9:00 a.m. at Parkview Terrace Good Sam Apartment
- Ruth** – Monday, March 18 at 7:00pm at church and Mona King hostess
- Susanna Wesley** – Monday, March 18 at 7:00pm at Marlis Tribby's
- United Methodist Women** - Friday, March 8 at 1:30pm; Program Carol Swartz; Hostess Donna Brobst

## CONGRATULATIONS

- \*To Don Edwards for his dedication to the Estherville Fire Department. Your hard work to the fire department and your community is appreciated. Fire Fighter of the year 2018!
- \*To Eldon & Shirley Fain on their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary February 7<sup>th</sup>.
- \*To Deb & Mike Clague on the birth of their granddaughter, Charlotte Rae Crumly who was born February 19 in Indianola to Sarah & Jarad.
- \*To Hunter & Blake Abrahamson who qualified and went to the state wrestling tournament.
- \*To Emma Ross & Bryan Peterson who went to state for the one-act play at ELC
- \*To Emma Ross, Quimby Ross and Leah Williams who have qualified for a state swimming competition in Grinnell on March 9.
- \*To Dennis & Sharon Ross on the birth of their great-granddaughter, Brenna Jo Rosburg born 11-19-18 to Alex & Macy Rosburg in Rapid City, SD. Proud grandparents are Rick & Deb Rosburg and Eric & Lori Milburn. Other great-grandparents are Dick & Betty Rosburg.
- \*To our ELC girls basketball team for making it to state.

# SERVE WITH GOD

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Matt Murray
- Emily Hansen
- 02 Marcia Huntsinger
- 03 Andrew Westfall
- 04 Eldon Fain
- Patty Hasbrook
- 06 Blake Craig
- 07 Kim Ross
- Paige Smith
- Alysha Pettyjohn
- 08 Mike Clague
- 10 Ken DeVore
- Krista Masters
- Katie Harris
- 11 Barbara Mace
- 12 Candace Harvey
- 13 Curtis Finn
- Amelia Blake
- 14 Carrie Alig
- 15 Linda Niles
- Julie Montandon
- 16 Jacob Masters
- Allyson Andrews
- Mackenzie Westfall
- 17 Roxie Stevens
- Willy Richards
- 18 Tom Koons
- Mason Lutzow
- 20 Amy Lowe
- 21 Warren Evans
- 22 Alan Ross
- 23 Sharon Ross
- 24 Jon Bethune
- 25 Stella Miller
- 26 Geneva Nelsen
- Larinda Mueller
- 28 Pat Erickson
- Ron Jacobsen
- 29 Wilbur Merrill
- Kali Thiel
- 30 Alice Zimmerman

**Basic Lay Servant Training** will be on Mondays at 3:30 p.m. beginning March 4th. Anyone and everyone is invited to come.

## MARCH

### ANNIVERSARIES

- 06 Alan & Linda Woldruff
- 11 Doug & Penny Weir
- 26 Barry & Marcia Huntsinger
- 29 Richard & Ruth Gottsche

### MARCH USHERS

- Captain, Willy Richards
- Garry & Kathy Culbertson
- Ryan & Kristin Ross
- Eli Ross
- Janice Button
- Jarred Pohlman

### ACOLYTES FOR MARCH 6th & 7th Grades

- 03 Eli Ross & Kali Thiel
- 10 Kiera Dalen & Andrew Bethune
- 17 Joie Christensen & Carter Ingvall
- 24 Nevaeh Koppman & Taylor Kloucek
- 31 Owen Haukoos & Brayden Schoon

### CAMERA OPERATORS FOR MARCH

- 03 Emma Ross
- 10 Landon Pyawasit
- 17 Eli Ross
- 24 Carson Grange
- 31 Quimby Ross

### CROSS BEARERS FOR MARCH 8th Graders

- 03 Isaac Reineke
- 10 Ava Mitchell
- 17 Ava Huntley
- 24 Katie Nelson
- 31 Jess Christensen

A pint of example is worth a barrelful of advice.

### MARCH GREETERS

- 03 Heidi, Kallie & Kiera Dalen
- Jeff, JoAnna & Alex Jensen
- Roy & Berniece Jensen
- 10 Warren & Pat Evans
- Greg, Cheryl & Grant DeVore
- Doug & Kathy Knudson
- 17 Katie & Matt Harris
- Krista & Jake Masters
- 24 Wayne & Mona King
- Justin, Alicia, Nevaeh,
- Aleaya & Ariyah Koppman
- Shane, Michelle, Carter & Caiden Ingvall
- 31 Chet, Tara & Landon Pyawasit
- Alysha Pettyjohn
- Tim, & Mary Jo Burrell
- Dennis & Sharon Ross

The next United Methodist Men's breakfast meeting is Sunday, March 10th at 8:00 a.m. March All You Can Eat Pancake & Sausage Supper is on Thursday, March 14 from 5-7 p.m.